A PROCLAMATION OF THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA, PROCLAIMING THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 2021, AS HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH IN THE CITY OF NORMAN.

- § 1. WHEREAS, we celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month to recognize the achievements, history, culture and contributions of Hispanic Americans and Latinos and those American citizens whose ancestors came from Spain, Mexico, the Caribbean, Central America, and South America; and
- § 2. WHEREAS, the observation began in 1968 as Hispanic Heritage Week under President Lyndon Johnson and was expanded by President Ronald Reagan in 1988 to cover a 30-day period of September 15 to October 15; and
- § 3. WHEREAS, it was enacted into Public Law 100-402 on August 17, 1988; and
- § 4. WHEREAS, the contributions by Hispanic Americans to the City of Norman, our state, and the nation are immeasurable and embody the values of faith, family, and hard work; and
- § 5. WHEREAS, the efforts by Hispanic Americans deliver economic contributions through all industries including frontline hospitality and construction fields, to science, technology, government, education, sports, arts, and military, among others; and
- § 6. WHEREAS, the City of Norman prides itself on being a diverse city, recent Census data shows the Hispanic population has grown from 7% to 10.3% over the last decade; and
- § 7. WHEREAS, the City of Norman values the cultural wealth Hispanic Americans offer through their multi-ethnic and multi-cultural heritages;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF NORMAN, OKLAHOMA:

§ 8. Do hereby proclaim September 2021, as Hispanic Heritage Month in the City of Norman and invite all citizens to join me in celebrating the contributions and accomplishments of Hispanic Americans in our community while continuing our work towards a more inclusive community.

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PASSED AND APPROVED this 14th day of September, 2021.

ATTEST:

Deputy City Clerk